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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, please amend the application as follows.

In the Claims

The following is a clean version of the entire set of pending claims:

1. (Amended) A spiral groove in an optical disk comprising:

a wobble, the wobble being a sinusoidal deviation from the centerline of the groove;

and

a first plurality of sinusoidal marks located at zero crossings of the wobble;

wherein the presence of one of the first plurality of sinusoidal marks at one of the zero crossings represents an active bit and the absence of one of the first plurality of sinusoidal marks at one of the zero crossings represents an inactive bit, a plurality of the active bits and the inactive bits representing an information field.

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